



SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION No. 12

DIGEST OF INTRODUCED RESOLUTION

Citations Affected: Article V of the Constitution of the United States.

Synopsis: State approval of federal debt increases. Makes application to Congress to call a constitutional convention under Article V of the Constitution of the United States to propose an amendment to the Constitution that would provide that an increase in the federal debt requires the approval of a majority of the legislatures of the several states.

Effective: A constitutional convention is called when 2/3 of the state legislators make application to Congress to call a constitutional convention to consider an amendment to the Constitution of the United States.

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January 5, 2010, read first time and referred to Committee on Judiciary.

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PRINTING CODE. Amendments: Whenever an existing statute (or a section of the Indiana Constitution) is being amended, the text of the existing provision will appear in this style type, additions will appear in **this style type**, and deletions will appear in ~~this style type~~.

Additions: Whenever a new statutory provision is being enacted (or a new constitutional provision adopted), the text of the new provision will appear in **this style type**. Also, the word **NEW** will appear in that style type in the introductory clause of each SECTION that adds a new provision to the Indiana Code or the Indiana Constitution.

Conflict reconciliation: Text in a statute in *this style type* or ~~this style type~~ reconciles conflicts between statutes enacted by the 2010 Regular Session of the General Assembly.

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A JOINT RESOLUTION requesting Congress to call a constitutional convention for the purpose of proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States concerning a federal constitutional convention.

Be it resolved by the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:

- 1 SECTION 1. That the general assembly of the State of Indiana
- 2 makes application to the Congress of the United States for a
- 3 convention under Article V of the Constitution of the United States
- 4 for the specific and exclusive purpose of proposing an amendment
- 5 to the Constitution of the United States that provides that an
- 6 increase in the federal debt requires the approval of a majority of
- 7 the legislatures of the several States.
- 8 SECTION 2. That the convention contemplated by this
- 9 application be entirely focused on and exclusively limited to the
- 10 subject of proposing for ratification an amendment to the
- 11 Constitution of the United States that provides that an increase in
- 12 the federal debt requires the approval of a majority of the



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1 legislatures of the several States.
2 SECTION 3. That this application constitutes a continuing
3 application in accordance with Article V of the Constitution of the
4 United States until at least two-thirds of the legislatures of the
5 several States have made application for an equivalently limited
6 convention.
7 SECTION 4. That certified copies of this resolution be sent to the
8 presiding officers of the Congress of the United States, to the
9 Secretary of the Senate and the Clerk of the United States House
10 of Representatives, and to the presiding officer of each chamber of
11 each state legislature in the United States.

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